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Classified By: Ambassador Karen Stewart for reason 1.4 (b/d).

¶1. (C) The Ambassador delivered reftel points to Valentin Rybakov, Foreign Policy Advisor in the Presidential Administration. Rybakov offered no substantive reply.

Comment

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¶2. (C) In recent weeks the Belarusian state press has been highly critical of USG and EU policy on Kosovo's future status. In the event of a declaration of independence by Kosovo, Post expects any GOB response to differ little from the line taken by Moscow and Belgrade.

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